

John Ripley Forbes is survived by his wife Margaret, his son Ernest Ripley Forbes of Alexandria, VA, his daughter Anne Forbes Spengler of Atlanta, and two grandchildren.

I join with them and all Georgians in mourning his passing and remembering and appreciating the contribution he made to our communities, our State, and to the lives of the many people he touched.●

TRIBUTE TO DOROTHY C. STRATTON

● Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, today I honor and remember Dorothy C. Stratton, founder of the Women's Reserve for the Coast Guard during World War II and a strong proponent of women's education throughout her lifetime.

Dr. Stratton became the first full-time Dean of Women at Purdue University in 1933. During her tenure at Purdue, Dr. Stratton saw the enrollment of women students increase from 500 to over 1,400. In addition, a liberal science program for women in the School of Science was inaugurated, three modern residence halls for women were constructed, and an employment placement center for Purdue women was instituted.

In 1942, she was commissioned a senior lieutenant in the U.S. Navy. Later in 1942, she transferred to the U.S. Coast Guard where she created and became the first director of the Women's Reserve of the U.S. Coast Guard in World War II. Upon being named director, she was promoted to lieutenant commander in 1942 and advanced to commander in January 1944 and to the grade of captain 1 month later. She was awarded the Legion of Merit medal for her contributions to women in the military upon retirement in 1946.

Dr. Stratton then became the first director of personnel at the International Monetary Fund followed by service as executive director of the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. She was the United Nations representative of the International Federation of University Women and chairman of the Women's Committee within the President's Commission on Employment of the Handicapped.

Please join me in honor and remembrance of Dorothy C. Stratton. I offer my deep condolences to all her family and friends, and to the many who have been inspired and touched by all that she has given.●

PATTEN SEED COMPANY

● Mr. CHAMBLISS. Mr. President, it is with great pride that today I honor the past and recent success of a great agribusiness in my home State of Georgia, Patten Seed Company. Patten Seed Company was recently named the 2006 Agribusiness of the Year by South Georgia Business magazine for its continued success in the agribusiness community.

The lasting success of Patten Seed Company was also recognized when the

company received the Cox Century Award. Representatives of the Cox Family Enterprise Center at the Coles College of Business at Kennesaw State University present the Cox Century Award to Georgia businesses based on their commitments to business and family, contributions to their industry and community, multigenerational family involvement, and innovative business practices and strategies.

The history of the Patten Seed Company dates back to 1893 when R.L. Patten and his brother W.F. Patten opened a general store in Lakeland, GA. After much success with the general store, Lawson Patten, R.L.'s son, began to operate a seed cleaning business out of one of his father's warehouses in 1947. In 1954, Patten Seed Company was incorporated and over the last 52 years has become a household name in the turfgrass, sod, and seed industry.

Patten Seed Company's expansive operation covers 25 facilities across four States and has over 15,000 acres of grass seed and sod farm land in the Southeast. Sod from Patten Seed Company can be found in many places, from small South Georgia lawns to the Atlantis Resort in the Bahamas.

I am sincerely proud of the recognition that has been accorded to Patten Seed Company, Lakeland, GA, where Patten Seed Company originated, is not too far from my hometown of Moultrie. I see signs for one of Patten Seed Company's subsidiaries, SuperSod, whenever I drive north or south on Interstate 75.

The success of agribusinesses like Patten Seed Company, which operates not only in Georgia but throughout the Southeast, is newsworthy. I thank my colleagues for giving me the opportunity to recognize this great agribusiness.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

REPORT ON THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO PERSONS WHO COMMIT, THREATEN TO COMMIT, OR SUPPORT TERRORISM THAT WAS ESTABLISHED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 13224 ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2006—PM 56

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message

from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent the enclosed notice to the *Federal Register* for publication, stating that the national emergency with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism is to continue in effect beyond September 23, 2006. The most recent notice continuing this emergency was published in the *Federal Register* on September 22, 2005 (70 FR 55703).

The crisis constituted by the grave acts of terrorism and threats of terrorism committed by foreign terrorists, including the terrorist attacks in New York, in Pennsylvania, and against the Pentagon of September 11, 2001, and the continuing and immediate threat of further attacks on United States nationals or the United States that led to the declaration of a national emergency on September 23, 2001, has not been resolved. These actions pose a continuing unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism, and maintain in force the comprehensive sanctions to respond to this threat.

GEORGE W. BUSH.

THE WHITE HOUSE, September 21, 2006.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 9:30 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker had signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 5684. An act to implement the United States-Oman Free Trade Agreement.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS).

At 1:01 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2334. An act to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design,